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DATE: March 19, 2025

VIA E-MAIL

**To:** California Advanced Services Fund Service and Distribution Lists

**Re: Postponement of the 2025 California Advanced Services Fund Broadband Infrastructure Grant Account Application Deadline to October 31, 2025.**

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) postpones the California Advanced Services Fund (CASF) Broadband Infrastructure Grant Account (Infrastructure Account) 2025 application deadline from April 1, 2025 to October 31, 2025, to allow time for prospective applicants to leverage federal funding allocated to the state of California in the \$1.86 billion Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) program.

Decision (D.) 22-11-023 established the CASF Infrastructure Account annual application timeline.<sup>1</sup> The BEAD program will run a subgrantee selection process starting approximately March 25, 2025 and will deliver a Final Proposal outlining the proposed subgrantees to the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) by October 2, 2025.<sup>2</sup>

The updated October 31, 2025 CASF Infrastructure Account application deadline will afford more time to enable broadband funding applications that maximize the substantial resources available through BEAD and use federal funds to reach as many unserved eligible locations as possible. The updated application deadline will also provide prospective CASF Infrastructure Account applicants more clarity around enforceable commitments resulting from the BEAD program.

Pursuant to Rule 16.6 of the CPUC's Rules of Practice and Procedure, I authorize that the deadline for the 2025 CASF Infrastructure Account applications be postponed to October 31, 2025. The October 31 deadline will apply to the 2025 grant cycle. The CPUC will provide an update on the timing for the 2026 CASF Infrastructure Account application timeline via an

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<sup>1</sup> D. 22-11-023 Attachment 1 at A-27, available at <https://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/PublishedDocs/Published/G000/M498/K965/498965038.PDF>.

<sup>2</sup> Date subject to change by the NTIA.

email to the CASF Service and Distribution Lists. For reference, the revised timeline for this year is displayed below:

**Revised 2025 CASF Infrastructure Account Timeline**

Broadband Availability Map Published	July 2025 - TBD <sup>3</sup>
CASF Infrastructure Account Application Deadline	October 31, 2025
Deadline for Staff to post Application Summaries and Maps to CPUC website and notify CASF Distribution List	November 14, 2025
Deadline for Challenge Submissions	December 5, 2025
Deadline for Application Approvals Under Ministerial Review	March 31, 2026
Deadline for Publishing Draft Resolutions Recommending Project Approval	May 15, 2026

This letter is being served on the CASF Distribution List and the Service List for Rulemaking 20-08-021 via email.

Sincerely,

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Rachel Peterson  
Executive Director

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<sup>3</sup> While the California Broadband Map will be published in July 2025, it will be revised closer to the CASF application deadline to account for the proposed subgrants included in the BEAD Final Proposal.